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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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 EL SHADDAI CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 and DANIELA GONZALEZ, :

Plaintiffs, :

- v. - :

DECLARATION ANNEXING
ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

07 Civ. 11603 (SAS)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
 OF HOMELAND SECURITY;
 CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICE, :
 and ROBERT P. WIEMANN, CHIEF,
 ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS OFFICE, :

Defendants. :

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F. JAMES LOPREST, JR., pursuant 28 U.S.C. § 1746, declares the following:

1. I am a Special Assistant United States Attorney in the Office of Michael J. Garcia, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, counsel for defendants United States Department of Homeland Security; United States Citizenship and Immigration Services ("CIS"); and Robert P. Wiemann, Chief of the CIS's Administrative Appeals Office (collectively, "defendants" or "Government"). I am assigned to the defense of the above-captioned matter, and I submit this declaration in opposition to the complaint of plaintiffs El Shaddai Christian Church ("Church") and Daniela Gonzalez ("Gonzalez") (collectively, "plaintiffs").

2. Attached to this declaration as an exhibit is a true copy of the record of administrative proceedings, as certified by the CIS on February 28, 2008 (and with page numbers inserted by this Office for ease of reference), underlying the June 13, 2007 final decision of the CIS's Administrative Appeals Office denying the Church's petition to classify Gonzalez as a special immigrant religious worker for immigration visa purposes ("Form I-360 petition" or "religious worker petition"), pursuant to §§ 101(a)(27)(C) and 203(b)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, as amended, 8 U.S.C. §§ 1101(a)(27)(C) & 1153(b)(4), and of the CIS's initiation of administrative proceedings against Gonzalez, pursuant to INA § 237(a)(1)(B), 8 U.S.C. § 1227(a)(1)(B), for overstaying the non-immigrant student visa under which she was admitted to the United States.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: August 21, 2008
New York, New York



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